

# Spot Checking

Food ★ Fun ★ Frolic  
By Bill Whitman

## Wayfarer Restaurant Wrooadside

Live dangerously! That's us! 'Cause the last two times we did anything on the Wayfarer Restaurant we kind of pulled boo-boos so let's see what happens this time.

How anyone can pull a boo-boo with so fine a dining spot is a mystery when you think of the excellence of the cuisine and the service offered by those two intrepid restaurateurs, Jimmy and Frank Richmond.

And now by way of further enhancing your dining-out pleasure, the Wayfarer is currently undergoing extensive remodeling of this already elaborate Lomita dinner house, extending their cocktail lounge facilities so as to be better able to accommodate the multitude of satisfied customers.

As you'll recall, in the past if you had a short wait for

your table the accommodations in the Wayfarer cocktail lounge were somewhat limited though still pleasurable.

The enlargement will reduce their banquet facilities to some degree although there'll still be ample space to handle your soirees, banquets and what-have-you. The Wayfarer is open daily for luncheon, cocktails and dinner from 11 in the ayem till the same time in the evening but don't open 'til 3 on Saturday and Sunday. And they don't even bother opening at all on Tuesdays.

Make it by 2230 Pacific Coast Highway and enjoy a really wonderful dinner or

luncheon, to say nothing of the fabulous 'giant malts' dispensed by those capable of capable mixologists, Bud and Trevor.

That's an all Hawaiian presentation Hop Louie's got going for you down the street at the Latitude 20 with the Naida & Nano Trio holding down the stand nately in the spacious dining room.

They're no new-comers to the show biz dodge, either. Take lovely and vivacious Naida, for example, although if you try taking her you'll have to answer to the other two-thirds of the trio. Pretty, uninhibited and tal-

ented Naida has many credits behind her (and we'll bet in front of her, too!) having worked with Hilo Hattie, Eddie Bush and Johnny Ukulele as well as having performed in such outstanding motion pictures as "The King and I," "Maimie Stover" and "Pagan Love Song," to name a few. Naida plays very accomplished stand-up drums, sings and when she goes into her dance... LOOK OUT! Really something!

Teamed with her for the past seven years is Nano, a very talented guitarist who has toured the Nevada circuit thoroughly with Naida in spots like "The Dunes and other clubs in Vegas and Reno.

His impersonation act is truly a thing of beauty and a joy forever when he "takes off" a whole stue of celebrities as they would sound when singing Hawaiian numbers. Most convincing.

And one of the fastest paced bass and uke men we've yet heard is the third member of this fabulous trio—Mickey. A top-notch showman is this Mickey who has worked (although they don't make it look like work) with the trio all the way from Seattle to Miami (that's just a deviation from "the rock-bound coast of Maine to the sunny shores of California") and all points in between, including Trader Dicks in Sparks (that's East Reno) and the Alladin in Las Vegas.

All three were born in Oahu, Hawaii, so that automatically makes them authentic for the already authentic Latitude 20.

This new and attractive spot is no topless spot; the only thing hinting of nudity might be the exciting and beautifully turned out nudes gracing the walls. All done on fine velvet, these works of art are in excellent taste and are in no way imaginable offensive.

Bartenders Dick and Allen are the omnipresent mixomatics who are ready, willing and able to fix you the most complicated of way-out drinks you might dream up, whether it be Polynesian or American.

You'll be glad you visited the Latitude 20. Drop by soon and get acquainted with Minnie and Hop Louie. Nice people!

ALL YOU CAN EAT FOR A BUCK AND A HALF! Now

how about that! That's what Floyd and Alice Freeman have waiting for you at the Western Buffet over there on South Western near Sepulveda.

Only catch to the whole shot is that you must bring the ad (elsewhere on this page) along with you in order to get in on the \$1.50 special.

It's a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday thing from 5 till 9. Your drink and tax will come extra but it's still a whale of a deal.

And hey, how's about something like this! If you don't want to bother clipping the ad... just march in there and tell Alice or Floyd that you read it in the Torrance Press-Herald and mention the old Spot Checker's name... and you're in like Flynn. Go ahead! They'll honor it!

The Western Buffet is closed on Mondays, incidentally and are open from noon 'til eight on Sundays so keep these hours in mind for a wonderful dinner, buffet style.

Just a drop-in on the Village Inn on Ave. I in Redondo Beach. They've got buses for all Rams games leaving at 11:30 for the day games and at 6:30 for the nite starters. The whole shot goes off for \$8.50. By the way, that's all games except the Cleveland game, naturally!

While talking with owner-operator Nick Pappas and Art Maskrey at their newly opened and re-decorated Half-way House at the entrance to the Torrance Airport, ran into Gerry Sutton, co-owner of the soon-to-open Princess Louise Floating Dinner House.

We were telling him what a bet he's missing by not including in his opening promotion one of those new "Princess" soldering irons.

A real cutie, this. It's about the size of a slim-line ball point pen and light as a feather... with the combination resembling a desk top pen set. Now how about that!

This little gem has no transformer and provides exact fingertip control for high precision work. Sounds fantastic, true, but in this day and age of super-sonic every-



SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE... That's what this talented trio present nately at Hop Louie's Latitude 20. It's the Naida and Nano Trio Show and a more entertaining group would be hard to find. They're a song, dance and impersonation trio plus lots and lots of good music, Polynesian style.

thing, nothing's impossible. They even come with a variety of attaching soldering nibs, some drawn down as fine as .005 inch... whatever that means but a technical man would dig it.

The handy little gadget is a product of Ungar Electric Tools in Hawthorne and if Ungar chief design engineer A. Knowles can keep the price down, looks like a winner.

Don't know if we managed to convince Gerry Sutton but we certainly convinced Nick and Art of it's possibilities. "Hey, it might even replace 'Rostie the Rivster' of WW II fame," says Nick Pappas.

Well, Nick, the Ungar people are one pump ahead of you. They're pushing their "Princess" by demonstrating her with a team of "Suzie The Solderer" at the up coming Wesco Show at Hollywood Park. So there, too!

Oh, and by the way... just found out, via the U.S. Mails, who the artist was that

did that exceptional "nude" on the wall opposite the entrance to the Half-Way House. She's Vera Grube, the gal with the friendly touch from Hollywood Riviera, who also did all the other works of art throughout Nick and Art's attractive new dine-outery.

Remember "The Drunkard" that played for such a long stand at the old Theatre Mart downtown? Well Jim Scoufas is reviving this grand old timer again in the banquet room of the Golden Hill Restaurant in Redondo Beach, each Sunday and Wednesday nite starting this Sunday.

The deal is, dinner at 7:30, show at 8:30 for a 2 1/2 hour presentation and the whole shot goes off for \$5.95. That's show and dinner included.

## 'You and Art' Subject for Final Program

"Explorations in Art," a summer lecture series sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department, will feature a program by Erika Muhl Wednesday.

Mrs. Muhl, director of the Joslyn Studio of Arts, will present an informal discussion on "You and Art."

The program, last in the series, is scheduled at the Joslyn Recreation Center, 3335 Torrance Blvd., at 8 p.m.

## DINE OUT TONIGHT



PLUSHLY paneled... Co-owner Nick Pappas outlines the all new menu for the all new Half Way House to all new girl-type waitress Jaunne Wolfe in the beautifully paneled dining salon with its warm and attractive lighting, including table lamps for intimate dining. The vertical paneling to the left opens into the equally delightful banquet area, which is also newly carpeted, paneled and with all new lighting fixtures.

## ECC Sets Concert Sunday

The El Camino College orchestra and band will combine next Sunday in the Campus Theater for a summer afternoon concert, according to Lewis Hilgel, band director.

The Summer Symphony will be presented by the college orchestra under the direction of James Mack at 3 p.m. Included in the orchestra's selections will be "The Candide Overture" by Leonard Bernstein, three dances from "Nell Gwyn" by Edward German, "Camelot" by Lerner, Loewe and Bennett, "Soirees Musicales" by Benjamin Britten, and "Rhapsody in Blue" by George Gershwin.

Following the orchestra's performance, the El Camino band will present a concert program composed of three Palestine chorales, "Gloria Patri," "O Bone Jesu" and "Adoramus Te, The Spirit of Pageantry" by Percy Fletcher, the Meditation from "Thais" by Jules Massenet, "Storm King March" by Walter Finlayson, "Fantasy for Band" by Frank Erickson and "Block M Concert March" by Jerry Bilik.

The summer music program at El Camino is designed to develop college musicians and give them a chance to participate in a musical program.

No admission will be charged.

## Torrance Girl Runner-Up

Miss Jo Ann Thomson of Torrance has been selected first runner-up in the "Miss Tramwayland" beauty contest at Palm Springs. She participated in the contest as "Miss Los Angeles County."

Linda Hill, 17, of Long Beach was named "Miss Tramwayland."

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